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In re Application of SNIJDER et al. Application No.: 10/540,313 PCT No.: PCT/IB03/06241 Int. Filing Date: 19 December 2003 Priority Date: 06 January 2003 Attorney Docket No.: US030003 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SIMILAR VIDEO CONTENT HOPPING

DECISION ON RESPONSE

This application is before the Office of PCT Legal Administration for issues arising under 35 U.S.C. 371. Applicant filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 requesting correction of the international application number in a Transmittal Letter filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on 21 June 2005.

On 19 December 2003, applicants filed international application PCT/IB03/06241 which claimed a priority date of 06 January 2003. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.495, the deadline for payment of the basic national fee in the United States was to expire 30 months from the priority date, 06 July 2005.

On 21 June 2005, applicant filed a Transmittal Letter (Form PTO-1390) for entry into the national stage in the United States which identified the international application as $\mathbb{PCT}/\mathbb{IB04}/00013$.

On 08 September 2005, a USPTO communication was mailed to applicant indicating that the Transmittal Letter filed on 21 June 2005 misidentified the international application number as PCT/IB04/00013. Applicant was advised to submit a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to correct the error.

On 02 November 2005, in response to the USPTO communication, applicants filed the instant petition requesting rectification of incorrect international application number identifying the correct international application no. as PCT/IB03/06241.

Applicant's request to correct the international application number on the transmittal letter is granted.

<u>CONCLUSION</u>

The application is being forwarded to the US Designated/Elected Office for further processing as the national stage of PCT/IB03/06241, assigned U.S. serial number 10/540,313.

The DO/EO/US will issue a Notification of Missing Requirements (FORM PCT/DO/EO

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905) and Notification of Defective Oath or Declaration (FORM PCT/DO/EO 917) indicating that the oath or declaration is not in accordance with either 37 CFR §§ 1.66, 1.68 or 1.497 and that a new oath or declaration is required along with a surcharge for filing the oath or declaration after the thirty month period.

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